

F-4-67

Edgar M. Frushour Homestead
Wolfsville vicinity
Private

1940

The Edgar M. Frushour Homestead is a 1-1/2 story exposed log house with rounded, dark-stained chestnut logs and saddle notched corners with extended log crowns. The house has a one-story addition containing a bathroom built on the south elevation in 1950. The property also includes several frame outbuildings of about the same period, including a frame garage/butchering shed with an exterior brick and stone chimney, a frame smokehouse, two hog pens, and two chicken houses. The house is a very good example of the early 20th century log construction technique which was popularized by mountain resort architecture of the first quarter of the century and which spread to the adjacent rural areas from the mountain camps and summer cottages of the Catoctin and South Mountain areas of Frederick County.

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Frederick County

HISTORIC CONTEXT:

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN DATA

Geographic Organization: Piedmont
(Harford, Baltimore, Carroll, Frederick, Howard, Montgomery
Counties, and Baltimore City)

Chronological/Development Period:
Modern Period, A.D. 1930-present

Prehistoric/Historic Period Themes
Architecture, Landscape Architecture and Community Planning

Resource Types:

Category: Building

Historic Environment: Rural

Historic Function and Use:
Domestic/single dwelling/residence
Domestic/secondary structure/smokehouse
Domestic/secondary structure/garage
Agriculture/subsistence/animal facility/barn

Known Design Source: None

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MARYLAND INVENTORY OF
HISTORIC PROPERTIES

Maryland Historical Trust
State Historic Sites Inventory Form

Survey No. F-4-67

Magi No.

DOE ☐ yes ☒ no

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic Edgar M. Frushour Homestead

and/or common

2. Location

street & number 13328 Wolfsville Road ☐ not for publication

city, town Wolfsville ☒ vicinity of congressional district 6th

state Maryland county Frederick

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational
<input type="checkbox"/> site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private residence
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial
			<input type="checkbox"/> military
			<input type="checkbox"/> museum
			<input type="checkbox"/> park
			<input type="checkbox"/> religious
			<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
			<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
			<input type="checkbox"/> other:

4. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Virginia K. Frushour

street & number 13328 Wolfsville Road telephone no.:

city, town Smithsburg state and zip code Md. 21783

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Frederick County Courthouse liber 817

street & number 100 W. Patrick Street folio 350

city, town Frederick state Md. 21701

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title

date ☐ federal ☐ state ☐ county ☐ local

depository for survey records

city, town state

7. Description

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Condition		Check one	Check one
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved date of move _____
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed		

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

CONTRIBUTING RESOURCE COUNT: 7

The Edgar Martin Frushour Homestead is a 1-1/2 story exposed log dwelling built in May 1940 with six domestic outbuildings including a frame garage/butchering shed, two frame chicken houses, a frame smokehouse, and two frame hog pens, all of which probably date from the period 1940-42, and are located on the west side of Wolfsville Road about 1-1/2 miles north of Wolfsville, Frederick County, Maryland. The house has the distinctive round logs and saddle notched corners with extended crowns typical of the early 20th century period of log structures and is dated with a small plaque on one of the log ends at the southeast corner.

The dwelling, built of dark-stained chestnut logs with white plaster chinking, has a gable roof with the gabled end facing east toward Wolfsville Road as the main elevation. It has a three-bay elevation with a one-story porch with a wood deck and log posts. The entrance is off-center in the middle bay and has a paneled door with a glazed upper section. The windows are 3/1 and are paired in the upper half-story on the east elevation. The north and south elevation have three bays with metal awnings over the windows on the south and the upper level windows on the west elevation. On the south elevation near the southwest corner is a one-story shed addition built in 1950 to provide a bathroom to the original structure. The addition occupies the southwest bay on the south elevation and is also built of logs. The standing seam metal roof has a central chimney. The west elevation has an enclosed one-story porch with a shed roof and modern siding. The plaque at the southeast corner is inscribed "Edgar Martin Frushour Homestead, Est. May 1940". The interior was inaccessible for this survey.

Outbuildings:

Garage/butchering shed: The one-story frame garage is an extended rectangular structure located immediate southwest of the house. It has an exterior stone and brick chimney on the north gable end, a standing seam metal roof, and vertical siding. The garage occupies the southern half of the building and has modern doors. An open woodshed adjoins the garage on the south gable end. The garage, like the other outbuildings, probably was built shortly after or at the same time as the dwelling.

Smokehouse: The frame smokehouse has a basically square plan with board and batten siding and a hipped composition roof. It is located immediately west of the house.

Chicken houses: The two frame chicken houses are located west of the smokehouse. They have standing seam metal shed roofs and vertical siding with windows in the east elevations.

Hog pens: The two frame hog pens are located south of the garage. Each has vertical board siding and both corrugated and standing seam metal roofs. The pens are somewhat deteriorated.

8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
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		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

Specific dates

Builder/Architect

check: Applicable Criteria: ☐ A ☐ B ☒ C ☐ D
and/or

Applicable Exception: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G

Level of Significance: ☐ national ☐ state ☒ local

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

The Edgar M. Frushour Homestead is a very good example of early 20th century log construction. During the 1890's and first quarter of the 20th century, wood and log recreational architecture became popular, spurred on by the interest in outdoor recreation and the increasing leisure resulting from industrial and domestic technological advances. Log buildings seemed especially appropriate in mountain areas and by the 1920's and 1930's, the mountains of Frederick County began to be developed as camps, fishing and hunting retreats, and summer cottages, spreading the type into the rural areas nearby. The extended crossed notching at the corners of the buildings was both an aesthetic and a technological feature. The notched and squared-off logs and corners to accommodate siding were no longer necessary, and wood treatments such as creosote to preserve wood kept the ends from serious decay. The distinctive, dark-stained wood resulting from treated wood and the extended corners emphasized the building material rather than the overall design.

According to a local resident in the area, the logs for the Frushour Homestead were hauled to the site from the vicinity of Middlepoint, east of Wolfsville. Edgar Frushour apparently built the house himself and also added the 1950 bathroom extension. A circa 1932 example of more traditional log technique nearby is the Kuhn Log House (F-4-65), which has square notching.

9. Major Bibliographical References

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Land Records of Frederick County

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property 1 acreQuadrangle name Myersville, Md.Quadrangle scale 1:24000UTM References do NOT complete UTM referencesA

Zone	Easting	Northing							

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Zone	Easting	Northing							

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Verbal boundary description and justification

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

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11. Form Prepared By

name/title Janet L. Davis, Historic Sites Surveyororganization Frederick County Planning & Zoning Dept. date May 1992street & number 12 E. Church Street telephone 696-2958city or town Frederick state Md. 21701

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 supplement.

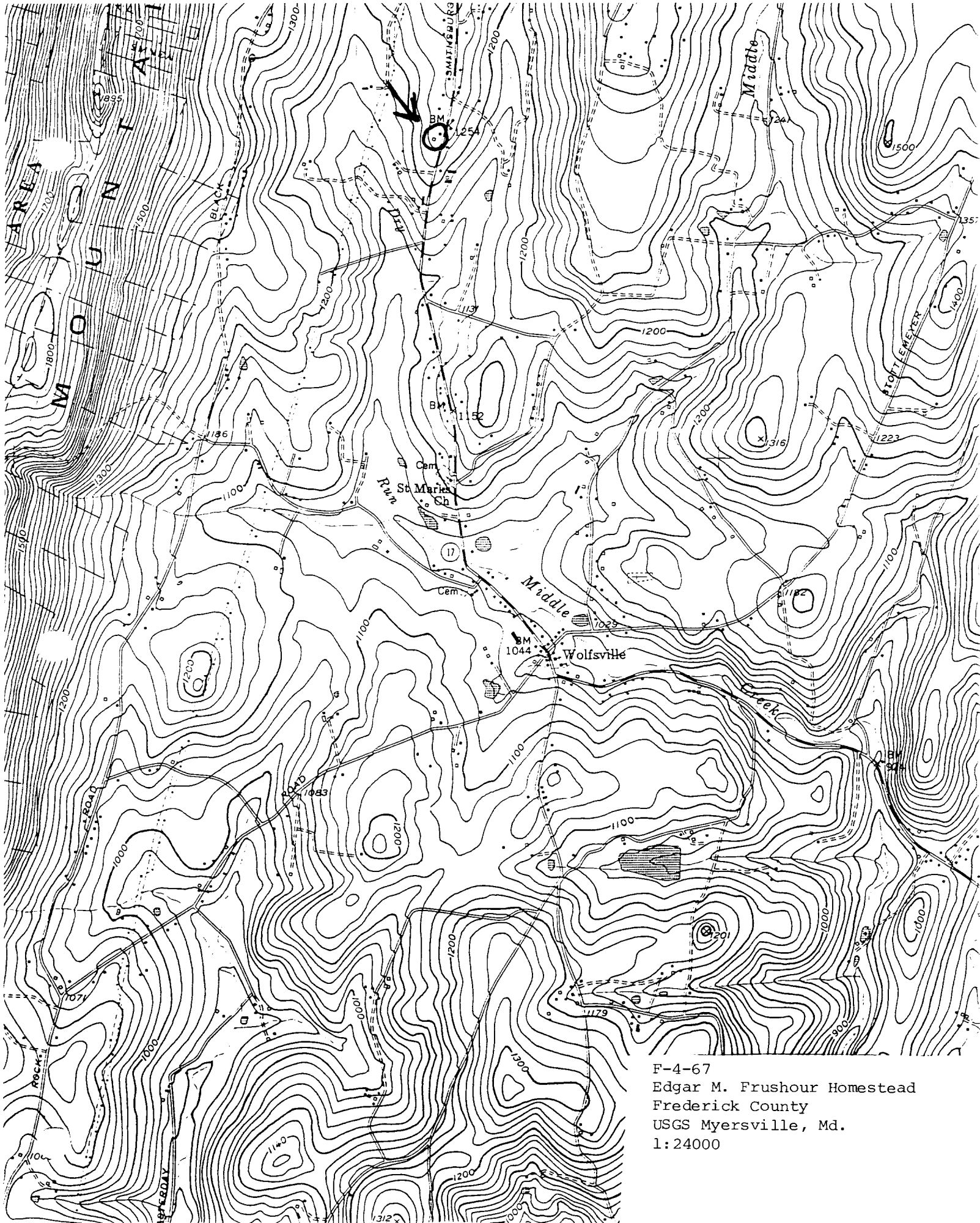
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Edgar W. Freshour Homestead

Friedrich County

Photo: East + South

Map 232

Neg. loc.: 112 S.W. 1/4 Sec. 10, T. 10 N., R. 10 E.

South-east corner view.

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Edgar W. Truitt & family

Frederick County

Photo: Janet Davis

May 1992

Neg. 30: 1/2 d. SHRO. Crownsville, Md.

Northwest corner view

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Edgar M. Frushour Homestead

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Neg. no.: 112. S.H.G. Crownsville. Md.

Big barn, view from northward

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Neg loc.: Md. State Arch. Crow Creek Rd
Smokehouse & chicken house & other buildings

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